FORTY-FIRST DAY

(Wednesday, March 26, 1941)

The Senate met at 10:00 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by President Stevenson.

The roll was called, and the following Senators were present:

Aikin Lovelady Martin Beck Brownlee Metcalfe Moffett Chadick Moore Cotten Ramsey Fain Formby Shivers Graves Smith Hazlewood Stone Hill Sulak Van Zandt Isbell Vick Kelley Lanning Winfield Lemens York

Absent-Excused

Mauritz Spears Weinert

A quorum was announced present.

Rev. S. B. Culpepper, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Aikin and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Leaves of Absence Granted

Senator Spears was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business, on motion of Senator Graves.

Senator Mauritz was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business, on motion of Senator Winfield.

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Graves submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 71, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the payment of

the prevailing rate of wages on public works; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

GRAVES, Vice-Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 275, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6371 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas 1925, as amended by Chapter 107 Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature which regulates the equipment of locomotives as to whistles and bells; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

GRAVES, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 16, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending subdivision 83 of Article 1302, Title 32, Chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, relating to the formation of private corporations to organize laborers, working men, and wage earners, to protect themselves in their various pursuits; vesting authority in the Commissioner of Labor Statistics to make investigation for charters and amendments to charters for such purposes; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute therefor do pass, and that the committee substitute be printed in lieu thereof.

GRAVES, Vice-Chairman.

Senator Winfield submitted the following reports:

> Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 359, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 392, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, as amended by Acts, 1937, Forty-fifth Legislature, page 1296, Chapter 482, Section 1; providing that loans insured by the Federal Housing Administration may be available to the Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of public affected thereby; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and do report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WINFIELD, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Banking, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 392, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 4 of S. B. No. 165, Chapter 165, regulating foreign and domestic corporations, en-acted at the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, Acts of 1931, as amended (Acts 1937) of the Forty-fifth Legislature in S. B. No. 235, as amended (Acts of 1939) of the Forty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session, in S. B. No. 265."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WINFIELD, Chairman.

Senator Moore submitted the following reports:

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 210, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 501, page 1346, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-fifth

Legislature, and making it unlawful for any dentist to obtain business in connection with the practice of dentistry by employing 'cappers' 'steerers'; etc.; and declaring emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

MOORE, Chairman.

Senate Chamber. Austin, Texas. March 25, 1941.

the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 277, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for preference of employment in all State Departments of this State of widows and widowed mothers of soldiers, sailors, nurses and marines of the Army and Navy of the United States in the late Spanish-American and Philippine Insurrection Wars, in the China Relief Expedition, the late World War of the Allied Nations, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

MOORE, Chairman.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 202, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a compensation plan for determining salaries of positions in the State Department of Health of the State of Texas; defining terms; providing the State Health Officer with the authority to place Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of in effect such compensation plan;

> Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with committee amendments and be printed.

> > MOORE, Chairman. .

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 201, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a merit sys- the official ballot for more than one tem of personnel administration for the State Department of Health of tion; further providing that at any the State of Texas; defining terms; such election each voter shall vote for providing for the organization of a division of merit system, for a merit system advisory council and its duties and the compensation of its members, for each respective position voted for a merit system supervisor and per-upon at any such election shall be sonnel officer and the duties of each; etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with committee amendments and be printed.

MOORE, Chairman,

Senator Hill submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 405, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the term of office of school trustees of independent school districts, whether created under general law or by special Act of the Legislature, having as many as six hundred and two (602) and not more than six hundred and seven (607) scholastics according to the 1940 official scholastic census and wherein Jurisprudence, to whom was referred there may be situated a city having H. B. No. 146, A bill to be entitled a population of as many as seventeen "An Act authorizing the commission-hundred twenty-five (1,725) and not ers' court in all counties in the State more than seventeen hundred thirty of Texas to appropriate from the (1,730) according to the last preceding General Fund not more than five (5) Federal Census, and having a board of cents on the One Hundred (\$100.00) seven trustees; providing that in all Dollars assessed valuation, for the such school districts trustees shall be purpose of advertising and promoting voted upon and elected separately for the growth and development of the positions on said board of trustees and counties, and providing for an elecprescribing a method whereby trustees tion authorizing such appropriation; in any such school district within ten etc." (10) days from the effective date of Have had the same under considerathis Act shall draw for positions on tion, and I am instructed to report any such board of trustees in any such it back to the Senate with the recomschool district; providing the manner mendation that it do pass and be and method of electing trustees there- printed. after in any such district and for an

official ballot for use in such trustee elections and the time within which and the manner in which a person desiring to become a candidate for election shall give notice of his or her candidacy as the case may be; further providing that in any such election no candidate shall be eligible to have his or her name placed on position to be filled at any such eleconly one candidate for each such position and that the candidate receiving the highest number of votes entitled to serve as trustee on said board, holding the position thereon to which he or she as the case may be shall have been so elected; providing for the manner and method of giving notice of elections for trustees in all independent school districts included within the terms of this Act; further providing that all laws and parts of laws, both general and special insofar only as they may be in conflict herewith are repealed; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

HILL, Chairman.

Senator Weinert submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

Hon, Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

the Senate.

We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 75, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2961 and Article 2962 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; repealing all

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report

printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

"An Act to amend Section 12 of H. B. No. 821, Chapter 462, page 1144, Regular Session of the Forty-fifth Legislature, as amended etc.; to authorize housing authorities to acquire by the exercise of the power of eminent domain any interest in real property; to create housing authorities for counties; to provide for the creation of regional housing authorities; etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be

printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of

We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 191, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing trustees of independent school districts to order an election to vote refunding bonds for the purpose of buying in bonds which have been previously issued without option of prior redemption and prescribing the method of holding such election; etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recom-

printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

> We, your Committee on Civil Sir: Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 369, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 88, page 189, Special Laws, Fortysecond Legislature, Regular Session, laws and parts of laws in conflict; 1931, (Article 5138a, Revised Civil and declaring an emergency." Statutes of Texas) to empower and authorize counties having a population tion, and I am instructed to report of not less than three hundred and it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be more than five hundred thousand (500,000) etc., and containing a city having a population of not less than two hundred and ninety thousand (290,000) and not more than three hundred and fifty thousand (350,000), etc. jointly with such city to establish, own and operate a parental home and school for the training of dependent and delinquent youth resident of that S. B. No. 367, A bill to be entitled county or city; and declaring an emergency."

> Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 262, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the commissioners' court in all counties of this State to provide fire protection and fire fighting equipment for the citizens of the county outside of any city, town, or village therein, either by the purchase and maintenance by the county of the necessary equipment, or by entering into contracts with the governing body cities, towns, or villages located within the county for the use of the fire fighting equipment of the city, town, or village; etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be mendation that it do pass and be printed.

WEINERT, Chairman.

lowing report:

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of

Sir: We, your Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred

H. B. No. 765, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend H. B. No. 427, Acts Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session, providing that all officers and employees of the State of Texas, any county, or political subdivision thereof, including municipalities, who are members of the National Guard, National Guard Reserves, or Organized Reserves of the Army or Navy of the United States, shall be entitled to leave of absence without loss of pay or efficiency rating during such days as they may attend training ordered or authorized under provisions of law; limiting the period of absence with pay to twelve (12) days in any one calendar year; providing that such limitation to twelve (12) days absence with pay shall not apply to members of the Legislature; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

METCALFE, Chairman.

. Senator Lemens submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 246, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 727 of the Code of Criminal procedure of Texas of 1925, so as to provide for the taking of confessions before the county judge and the county attorney and/or district attorney in any county where venue lies; and to be witnessed by the county judge and county attorney and/or district attorney; and the sion of the Forty-fifth Legislature, defendant to be warned by the county and by adding to said Article II of judge in the presence of the county said Act a new Section to be desigattorney and/or district attorney; and nated as Section 1914; prohibiting the eliminating that provision providing employment of persons under twenty-for the defendant to make his mark one (21) years of age to sell or to

Senator Metcalfe submitted the fol-1than a peace officer; and declaring an emergency.

> Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

> > LEMENS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 133, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending an Article to be known as Article 776b of the Code of Criminal Procedure of Texas, to provide that sentence shall not be suspended in any felony case where the penalty assessed by the court or jury is a fine, or a jail sentence, or both a fine and a jail sentence; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute attached hereto do pass and be printed.

LEMENS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

We, your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 112, A bill to be entitled "An Act further regulating the sale of alcoholic beverages in this State under the Texas Liquor Control Act by repealing Subdivision (f) of Subsection (1), Section 19, Article II, Chapter 467, Acts of the Second Called Session of the Forty-fourth Legislature, as amended by H. B. No. 8, Acts of the Third Called Session of the Forty-fourth Legislature, and as further amended by H. B. No. 5, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-fifth Legislature, and by S. B. No. 20, Acts of the First Called Sesif witnessed by some person other assist in the selling, handling, transporting, or dispensing of beer; and

declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute attached hereto do pass and be printed.

LEMENS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

We, your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was re-

H. B. No. 555, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1030 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, as amended by Acts, 1931, Forty-second Legislature, Chapter 5, page 262; providing that a city poll tax shall not be required to vote in any election in this State except in city elections; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute attached at this time and was adopted. hereto do pass and be printed.

LEMENS, Chairman.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 34

Senator Metcalfe offered the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 34, Suspending Joint Rule 20 to permit consideration in the Senate of S. B. No. 43 and S. B. No. 398 on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Be It Resolved by the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, That Joint Rule No. 20 be suspended to permit the Senate to consider S. B. Nos. 43 and 398 on Wednesday and Thursday, March 26 and 27, 1941.

METCALFE, MOFFETT.

The resolution was read, and by unanimous consent was considered and adopted at this time.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 35

Senator Beck offered the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 35, Congratulating the Governor and people of the State of Vermont.

Whereas, One hundred and fifty years ago, on the fourth day of March, 1791, Vermont was admitted to the Union of States; and

Whereas, Prior to its admission it had for fourteen years asserted its independence and exercised the prerogatives of a complete and self-sustaining sovereignty; and

Whereas, Texas for almost ten years prior to its admission as a State was similarly constituted as a republic and was in all respects an independent commonwealth, as was Vermont; and

Whereas. We are mindful of the genuine contribution that Vermont has made to the upbuilding and maintenance of the fundamental principles of government; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That we extend congratulations to the Governor and the Legislature of Vermont and to the people of the State upon the occasion of the celebration of the sesquicentennial anniversary of its admission to the Union.

The resolution was read, and by unanimous consent, it was considered

Senate Bill 406 on First Reading

Senator Shivers moved that Section 5 of Article 3 of the Constitution be suspended to permit his introducing a bill, the provisions of which he explained.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-28

Aikin	Lovelady
Beck	Martin
Brownlee	Metcalfe
Chadick	Moffett
Cotten	\mathbf{Moore}
Fain	Ramsey
Formby	Shivers
Graves	\mathbf{Smith}
Hazlewood	Stone
Hill	Sulak
Isbell	Van Zandt
Kelley	Vick
Lanning	Winfield
Lemens	York

Absent—Excused

Mauritz Weinert Spears

The following bill then was introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee on State Affairs:

By Senator Shivers:

S. B. No. 406, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the subject matter embraced in Section 9 of Chapter 482, General and Special Laws, Forty-fourth Legislature, Third Called Session, as amended by Section 6, Chapter 2, Title: Labor, General Laws, Forty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session; providing for the establishment ing vote: of the Unemployment Compensation Fund, setting forth the manner in which funds may be deposited and withdrawn from said fund; providing for the adding of a new Section known at 9-A authorizing expenditure of the money deposited in the fund for the purpose authorized in the Act, and a new Section known at 11-B providing for the destruction of records under certain conditions; and declaring an emergency."

Conference Committee on Senate Bill 70

Senator Moffett called S. B. No. 70 from the President's table for consideration of the House amendments to the bill.

The President laid the bill and House amendments before the Senate.

Question—Shall the Senate concur in the House amendments?

Senator Moffett moved that the Senate do not concur in the House amendments and that a Conference Committee be appointed to adjust the differences between the two Houses on the bill.

The motion prevailed.

Accordingly, the President appointed the following conferees on the bill on the part of the Senate: Senators Moffett, Van Zandt, Lemens, Vick and Beck.

Senate Bill 400 Ordered Mimeographed

On motion of Senator Lovelady and by unanimous consent, it was ordered that 100 copies of S. B. No. 400 be mimeographed.

Advance Printing of Senate Bill 403

On motion of Senator Moffett, and by unanimous consent, it was ordered that Senate Bill No. 403 be printed in advance of its consideration in committee.

House Bill 143 Returned to House

On motion of Senator Shivers, the request of the House for the return of H. B. No. 143 was granted.

House Bill 183 on Second Reading

Senator Graves moved that the regular order of business be suspended to permit consideration of H. B. No. 183 at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-26

Aikin	Martin
Beck	Metcalfe
Brownlee	Moffett
Chadick	Moore
Fain	Ramsey
Formby	Shivers
Graves	Smith
Hazlewood	Stone
Isbell	Sulak
Kelley	Van Zandt
Lanning	\mathbf{Vick}
Lemens	Winfield
Lovelady	\mathbf{York}

Absent

Cotten

Hill

Absent—Excused

Mauritz Spears Weinert

On motion of Senator Graves and by unanimous consent, the rule requiring printed copies of a bill to be on the desks of members 24 hours before its consideration by the Senate was suspended with respect to H. B. No. 183.

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 183, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for and regulate the holding of run-off elections in cities and towns having a population in excess of two hundred thousand (200,000) inhabitants, according to the last preceding or any future Federal Census; providing that cities not using voting machines may adopt the preferential type ballot in lieu of the procedure set forth in this Act; repealing all laws, parts of law, charter provisions and ordinances in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

House Bill 183 on Third Reading

Senator Graves moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be on its second reading and passage to read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 183 be

. ing vote:

Yeas--27

Aikin	Martin
Beck	Metcalfe
Brownlee	${f Moffett}$
Chadick	${f Moore}$
Cotten	Ramsey
Fain	Shivers
Formby	Smith
Graves	Stone
Hazlewood	Sulak
Isbell	Van Zandt
Kelley	Vick
Lanning	Winfield
Lemens	York
Lovelady	

Absent

Hill

Absent—Excused

Mauritz Spears

Weinert

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas-27

Aikin	Martin
Beck	Metcalfe
Brownlee	Moffett
Chadick	\mathbf{Moore}
Cotten	Ramsey
Fain	Shivers
Formby	Smith
Graves	Stone
Hazlewood	Sulak
Isbell	Van Zandt
Kelley	Vick
Lanning	Winfield
Lemens	York
Lovelady	_

Absent

Hill

Absent—Excused

Mauritz Spears

Weinert

House Bill 323 on Second Reading

The President laid before the Senate third reading:

H. B. No. 323, A bill to be entitled placed on its third reading and final "An Act providing that it shall be passage.

The motion prevailed by the follow- nership, association, or corporation to sell or offer for sale within the State of Texas any goods, wares or mer-chandise manufactured wholly or in part by convicts or prisoners in penal and reformatory institutions, except convicts or prisoners on parole or probation; providing exemptions, and penalties for the violation hereof; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Senator Van Zandt offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 323 by adding a new Section thereto to be known as Section 2a to read as follows:

"Section 2a. The provisions of Chapter 85, page 207, Acts of the Forty-fourth Legislature, Regular Session are hereby repealed."

And amend the caption to conform. The amendment was adopted.

The bill as amended was passed to third reading.

House Bill 323 on Third Reading

Senator Graves moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that S. B. No. 323 be placed on its third reading and final

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-29 Aikin Martin Beck Metcalfe Brownlee Moffett Chadick Moore Cotten Ramsey Fain Shivers Formby Smith Graves Stone Hazlewood Sulak Hill Van Zandt Isbell Vick Weinert Kelley Lanning Winfield Lemens York Lovelady

Absent—Excused

Mauritz

Spears

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—29

1 cas —20			
Aikin	Martin		
Beck	Metcalfe		
Brownlee	Moffett		
Chadick	Moore		
Cotten	Ramsey		
Fain	Shivers		
Formby	Smith		
Graves	Stone		
Hazlewood	Sulak		
Hill	Van Zandt		
Isbell	Vick		
Kelley	Weinert		
Lanning	Winfield		
Lemens	York		
Lovelady			

Absent—Excused Mauritz Spears

Message from the House

The Assistant Reading Clerk of the House was recognized by the President to present the following mes-

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 34, Relative to suspending Joint Rule No. 20 (with amendments.)

The House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 78 and has requested the appointment of a Conference Committee to consider the differences between the two Houses and appoints as conferees on the part of the House: Representatives Parker, Chambers, Hardeman, Rampy and Bailey.

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. LINDLEY,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

House Bill 84 on Second Reading

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 84, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the 94th Judicial District Court for Nueces County; de-

fining its jurisdictions; adjusting the business of the 28th District Court of Nueces County and the 117th District Court of Nueces County with the court created hereby; prescribing the duties of the district clerk with respect thereto; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Senator Beck offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 84 by striking out all of line 41 on page 2 and the words "Act becomes effective" on line 42, page 2, and inserting therein the following, "July 1st, 1945."

> BECK, ISBELL.

The amendment was adopted.

Question—Shall the bill be passed to third reading?

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the bill was passed to third reading by the following vote:

Yeas—24

Beck	Lovelady
Brownlee	Martin
Chadick	Metcalfe
Fain	Moffett
Formby	${f Moore}$
Graves	Shivers
Hazlewood	Smith
Hill	Stone
Isbell	Van Zandt
Kelley	Vick
Lanning	Winfield
Lemens	\mathbf{York}

Nays—4

Aikin Sulak Cotten Weinert

Absent

Ramsey

Absent—Excused

Mauritz

Spears

House Bill 84 on Third Reading

Senator Kelley moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be sus-pended and that H. B. No. 84 be placed on its third reading and final

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-26

Chadick Beck Brownlee Cotten

Fain Metcalfe Formby Moffett Graves Moore Hazlewood Shivers HillSmith Isbell Stone Kelley Van Zandt Lanning Vick Lemens Weinert Lovelady Winfield Martin York

Nays—2

Aikin

Sulak

Absent

Ramsey

Absent-Excused

Mauritz

Spears

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas-24

Beck Lovelady Brownlee Martin Chadick Metcalfe Fain Moffett Formby Moore Graves Shivers Hazlewood Smith Hill Stone Van Zandt Isbell Vick Kelley Lanning Winfield York Lemens

Nays-4

Aikin Cotten Sulak Weinert

Absent

Ramsey

Absent—Excused

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Senate Resolution 71

Senator Moore, by unanimous consent, offered the following resolution at this time:

Whereas, Superintendent E. A. Millsap of the Cypress Independent School District is in the gallery with the graduating class of 1941; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of Texas, That the Senate express its pleasure at having these visitors, and extend to Superintendent Millsap the privileges of the floor for the day; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to Superintendent Millsap and to the President of the graduating class.

The resolution was read, and, by unanimous consent, was considered and adopted immediately.

Concurrence in House Amendment to Senate Concurrent Resolution 34

Senator Metcalfe moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment to S. C. R. No. 34.

The motion prevailed.

Senate Bill on First Reading

By unanimous consent, the following bill was introduced, read first time and referred by the President to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

By Senator Sulak (by request):

S. B. No. 407, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Road District No. 7, of Lavaca County, Texas; defining its boundaries; conferring upon said road district all the rights, powers, privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the General Laws of Texas upon road districts; providing that any territory within the bounds of said district, as created by this Act, shall remain chargeable with any and all outstanding bonded in-Mauritz Spears debtedness heretofore voted by such territory; enacting provisions incidental and necessary to the subject and purpose of this Act; authorizing and empowering the Commissioners' Court of Lavaca County, Texas, to On motion of Senator Van Zandt, proceed in the issuance of bonds of a tabulated statement showing work said district created by this Act in done by the Courts of Texas in 1940 the manner provided by general law was ordered printed in a supplement for the issuance of road district bonds in ordinary road districts; providing

that nothing in this Act shall be con-strued as affecting the organization having an assessed valuation exceed-and establishment of Road District ing Seventy-five Million (\$75,000,-No. 2, of Lavaca County, Texas, as created by Chapter 390 of the Special approved tax rolls for the preceding Laws passed by the Thirty-ninth Leg- year, is hereby authorized to allow islature of this State, at its First each county commissioner the sum of Called Session in 1926 (a portion of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars per month as the territory of said district being in- traveling expenses." cluded in Section 1, of this Act), but the said road district No. 2 shall continue to operate as a defined road district over the territory included within its limits, described and defined in that certain order of the Commissioners' Court of Lavaca County, Texas, passed and adopted by said court on the 14th day of April, 1919, of the minutes of the commissioners' court of said county, and to which | order reference is made by said Chapter 390, creating the said road district No. 2; and nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting the territory now included within said road district No. 2 from hereafter issuing road bonds on its faith and credit, within the limitations prescribed by Section 52, Article 3, of the Constitution of this State; and declaring an emergency."

House Bill 369 on Second Reading

On motion of Senator Hill and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to permit consideration of H. B. No. 369 at this time.

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 369, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the salaries and traveling expenses for county commissioners in counties of not less than twentyfour thousand, nine hundred (24,900) and not more than twenty-five thousand (25,000) inhabitants; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Senator Hill offered the following amendments to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 369, Section 1 by substituting a semi-colon (;) for the period (.) at the end of said Section, and adding the following:

"and in any county having a popusand (50,000) and not more than sixty and final passage.

Amend caption of H. B. No. 369 as follows:

"and fixing traveling expenses for county commissioners in counties having a population of not less than fifty thousand (50,000) and not exceeding sixty thousand (60,000) inhabitants, recorded in Book M, page 160, et seq., and having an assessed valuation exceeding Seventy-five Million (\$75,000,-000.00) Dollars, according to the last approved tax rolls for the preceding year."

> The amendments were adopted severally.

> The bill was passed to third reading.

House Bill 369 on Third Reading

Senator Hill moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 369 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—29

Aikin Beck	Martin Metcalfe
Brownlee	Moffett
Chadick	\mathbf{Moore}
Cotten	Ramsey
Fain	Shivers
Formby	Smith
Graves	Stone
Hazlewood	Sulak
Hill	Van Zandt
Isbell	Vick
Kelley	Weinert
Lanning	Winfield
Lemens	\mathbf{York}
Lovelady	

Absent—Excused

Mauritz Spears

The President then laid the bill belation of not less than fifty thou-fore the Senate on its third reading

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas-28

Aikin Martin Metcalfe Beck Moffett Brownlee Moore Chadick Ramsey Cotten Shivers Fain Formby Smith Graves Stone Hazlewood Sulak Hill Van Zandt Isbell Vick Kelley Weinert Lanning Winfield Lemens York

Nays—1

Lovelady

Absent-Excused

Mauritz

Spears

Message from the House

The Reading Clerk of the House was recognized by the President to present the following message:

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 26, 1941.

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill and resolutions:

S. B. No. 212, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any banking corporation selected as the depository for county funds or as the depository for the funds of any school district in Texas, to pledge General Fund Warrants of the State of Texas as securities securing such funds when, as otherwise provided by law, such banking corporations are authorized to pledge securities in lieu of personal bonds or surety bonds; and declaring an emergency."

(With amendments.)

S. C. R. No. 35. Congratulating Governor and Legislature of Vermont a member of the House of Representaand the people of that State upon the tives from the State of Oklahoma is occasion of the celebration of the sesquicentennial anniversary of Ver- fore, be it mont's admission to the Union.

House of Representatives.

The House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H. B. No. 369 and has requested the appointment of a Conference Committee to consider the differences between the two Houses and appoints: Bell, Hartzog, Morris, Lyle and Skiles.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. B. No. 84 by a vote of 129 yeas, 0 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. B. No. 323 by a vote of 126 yeas, 0 noes.

Respectfully submitted, E. R. LINDLEY, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Senate Resolution 72

Senator Graves, by unanimous consent, offered the following resolution at this time:

Whereas, The class in State Government and State Administration of S. M. U., voted unanimously to come to Austin for their field day trip, for the express purpose of studying our democratic process of government and observing the Senate of Texas in action; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That said class be invited to come in and visit the Senate of Texas, on this 26th day of March, A. D., 1941, and that they be extended the privileges of the floor for this day, and Hon. J. M. Claunch, teacher, be permitted to address the Senate for three minutes.

The resolution was read; and by unanimous consent, it was considered at this time and was adopted.

Accordingly, the members of the class were admitted to the Senate Chamber, and Hon. J. M. Claunch was presented to the Senate by Senator Graves.

Mr. Claunch addressed the Senate briefly.

Senate Resolution 73

Senator Van Zandt, by unanimous consent, offered the following resolu-

Whereas, The Honorable B. B. Kerr, present in the City of Austin; there-

Resolved, That the Honorable B. B. S. C. R. No. 11, Relative to the Kerr be extended the privilege of the Joint Rules of the Senate and the floor and that he be asked to address the Senate.

The resolution was read, and by

was presented to the Senate by Sen-I ator Van Zandt.

Mr. Kerr addressed the Senate briefly.

Signing of Bills and Resolutions

The President signed in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following enrolled gency." bills and resolutions:

H. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining industrial life insurance; forbidding the delivery or issuance for delivery of any policy of industrial life insurance, unless it shall contain certain provisions, and making said provisions subject to certain exceptions; securing to insureds and beneficiaries under policies previously issued, the right to select, under certain circumstances, extended or paid-up insurance and providing for the automatic selection of extended insurance in the event such insureds or beneficiaries fail to make a selection: designating additional optional provisions to be contained in policies of industrial life insurance; forbidding the inclusion of certain provisions in industrial life insurance policies; requiring approval of the Board of Insurance Commissioners of all policies of industrial life insurance, including such policies which provide for accident and health benefits in addition to natural death benefits, and all riders and endorsements before same can be delivered or issued for delivery; requiring written notice in case of disapproval of any policy, rider or endorsement; providing for an appeal from the decision of the board; providing that this Act and no other shall apply to and govern the form and content of industrial life insurance policies; providing that upon proper showing to the Board of Insurance Commissioners of inability bill having been read second time on of an insurer to comply with this yesterday): Act immediately upon the same becoming effective, such insurer may at the discretion of the board have sixty

H B. No. 183, A bill to be entitled unanimous consent, it was considered at this time and was adopted.

Accordingly, Hon. B. B. Kerr was escorted to the President's desk and have a considered to the provide for and regulate the holding of run-off elections in excess of two hundred thousand to the president's desk and have a considered to the provide for and regulate the holding of run-off elections in excess of two hundred thousand to the president's desk and have a considered to the provide for and regulate the holding of run-off elections in excess of two hundred thousand to the president to the (200,000) inhabitants, according to the last preceding or any future Federal Census; providing that cities not using voting machines may adopt the preferential type ballot in lieu of the procedure set forth in this Act; repealing all laws, parts of law, charter provisions, and ordinances in conflict herewith; and declaring an emer-

S. C. R. No. 11, Adopting joint rules.

H. C. R. No. 79, Authorizing the Enrolling Clerk of the House to make certain corrections in H. B. No. 230.

Committee Substitute Senate Bill 43 on Passage to Engrossment

Senator Metcalfe moved to suspend Senate Rule 14 to permit the further consideration at this time of C. S. S. B. No. 43.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—26

Metcalfe
Moffett
\mathbf{Moore}
Ramsey
Shivers
Smith
Stone
Sulak
Van Zandt
\mathbf{V} ick
\mathbf{W} einert
Winfield
\mathbf{York}

Nays--3

Cotten Isbell

Lemens

Spears

Absent—Excused

Mauritz

The President laid before the Senate on its passage to engrossment (the

C.S.S.B. No. 43, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 88, Acts 1929, Forty-first Legis-(60) days from and after the effective date of this Act in which to make full compliance with its provisions; providing for the severability of the provisions of this Act; and declaring mercial Motor Vehicle'; Section 6, an emergency."

Legislature, Second Called Session, prescribing license fees for the registration of Commercial Motor Vehicles; Section 7, Chapter 88, Acts 1929, Forty-first Legislature, Second Called Session, prescribing license fees for the registration of road tractors; Section 8, Chapter 88, Acts 1929, Fortyfirst Legislature, Second Called Session, prescribing license fees for the registration of trailers or semi-trailers; Section 8A, Chapter 88, Acts 1929, Forty-first Legislature, Second Called Session, prescribing license fees for the registration of motor busses; Section 8B, Chapter 88, Acts 1929, Forty-first Legislature, Second Called Session, prohibiting registration of commercial motor vehicles size of which are illegal with certain exceptions; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

With the following amendment by Senator Metcalfe pending:

Amend C. S. S. B. No. 43, page 1, by striking out all of lines 44, 45, 46 and 47, and substitute in lieu thereof the following:

" 1- 6,000	\$0.40	\$0.50
6,001- 8,000	50	.60
8,001-10,000	^^	.70
10,001-20,000	70	.90
20,001-and up	80	1,00'

Senator Metcalfe withdrew the amendment.

Senator Metcalfe then offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend C. S. S. B. No. 43, page 1, by striking out all of lines 44, 45, 46 and 47, and substitute in lieu thereof the following:

"	1- 6,000	\$0.40	\$0.50
6,6	001- 8,000		.60
8,	001-10,000		.70
10,0	001-20,000		.90
20,	001-30,000	.80	1.00
30,0	001-and up		1,20"

Senator Lovelady offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend committee substitute for S. B. No. 43, page 1, by striking out lines 44, 45, 46 and 47, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"	1-6,000	\$ 0.35	\$0.40
6.	001- 8,000		.50
	001-12,000	 	.60
	001-16,000	 .60	.70
	001-20,000	 .70	.80
	001-30,000	 .80	.90
	001-and up	 .90	1.00'

Senator Metcalfe moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—13

Formby	Ramsey
Graves	Shivers
Hill	Vick
Lanning	Weinert
Lemens	Winfield
Martin	York
Metcalfe	

Nays-15

Aikin	Lovelady
Beck	Moffett
Brownlee	Moore
Chadick	Smith
Fain	Stone
Hazlewood	Sulak
Isbell	Van Zandt
Kellev	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

Absent

Cotten

Absent-Excused

Mauritz Spears

The substitute then was lost by the following vote:

Yeas-11

Aikin	Isbell	
Beck	Kelley	
Brownlee	Lovelady	
Chadick	Moffett	
Fain	Moore	
Hazlewood	Van Zandt	

Nays-16

Formby	Shivers
Graves	Smith
Hill	Stone
Lanning	Sulak
Lemens	Vick
Martin	Weinert
Metcalfe	Winfield
Ramsey	\mathbf{York}

Absent

Cotten

Absent-Excused

Mauritz Spears

Question—Shall the amendment by Senator Metcalfe be adopted?

House Bill 765 on Second Reading

On motion of Senator Moore and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to permit consideration of H. B. No. 765 at this time.

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

"An Act to amend H. B. No. 427, Acts fiscal year. Legislature, Forty-second Regular Session, providing that all officers and employees of the State of Texas, any county or political subdivision thereof, including municipalities, who are members of the National Guard, National Guard Reserves, or Organized Reserves of the Army or Navy of the United States, shall be entitled to leave of absence without loss of pay or efficiency rating during such days as they may attend training ordered or authorized under provisions of law; limiting the period of absence with pay to twelve (12) days in any one calendar year; providing that such limitation to twelve (12) days absence with pay shall not apply to members of the Legislature; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Senator Moore offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 765 by striking out all of Sections 1 and 2 thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the follow-

"Section 1.

Section 1 of H. B. No. 427, Acts, Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature is amended hereby to read as follows:

'Section 1. All officers and employees of the State of Texas and of any county or political subdivision amendment. thereof, including municipalities, who shall be members of the National Guard of Texas and of the National Guard Reserves of Texas and of the Organized Reserves of the United States Army and of the Naval Reserves of the Navy of the United States shall be entitled to leave of absence from their respective duties, without loss of efficiency rating, on all days during which they shall be engaged in field or coast defense training, ordered or authorized under the provisions of law, and without loss of pay for the first twelve (12) days of such leave of absence; but such!

officers and employees shall not be entitled to pay from the State of Texas or any county or political subdivision thereof during such leave of absence for a longer period than twelve (12) days during any one calendar year. Such leave of absence shall be in lieu of any and all other vacations with pay, and said employee shall not be entitled to any

'The provisions of Section 1 of this Act, limiting such leaves of absence with pay to twelve (12) days in any one calendar year, shall not apply to members of the Legislature, but members of the Legislature shall be entitled to pay on all days, without limitation as to the number thereof, when they may be absent from the sessions of the Legislature and engaged in such field or coast defense training."

And by changing the number "Section 3" in H. B. 765 to "Section 2," and amend the caption to conform.

Senator Hill offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend Moore amendment. paragraph, so that the same shall hereafter read as follows:

"The provisions of Section 1 of this Act, limiting such leave of absence with pay to twelve (12) days in any one calendar year, shall not apply to members of the Legislature, but members of the Legislature and/or State employees shall be entitled to pay on all days, without limitation as to the number thereof, when they may be absent from sessions of the Legislature, or from their duties and engaged in such field or coast defense training."

Senator Moore moved to table the

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

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Beck Lovelady Chadick Martin Fain Moore Formby Stone Van Zandt Graves Isbell Vick Winfield Kelley Lanning York

Nays-10

Aikin Hill Brownlee Lemens Metcalfe Ramsey Shivers

Present-Not Voting

Moffett

Absent

Cotten

Hazlewood

Smith

Sulak

Weinert

Absent—Excused

Mauritz

Spears

Question recurring on the amendment by Senator Moore, it was adopted.

The bill then was passed to third reading.

House Bill 765 on Third Reading

Senator Moore moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 765 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-25

Moffett Aikin Brownlee Moore Chadick Ramsey Fain Shivers Formby Smith Graves Stone Hazlewood Sulak Van Zandt Isbell Kelley Vick Lanning Weinert Lemens Winfield Martin York Metcalfe

Nays--3

Beck Hill Lovelady

1111

Cotten

Absent—Excused

Absent

Mauritz

Spears

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas-21

Brownlee Chadick Fain Formby Graves Shivers Kelley Smith Stone Lanning Sulak Lemens Van Zandt Martin Metcalfe \mathbf{Vick} Moffett Winfield Moore York Ramsey

Nays-5

Beck Hill Isbell

Lovelady Weinert

Present-Not Voting

Aikin

Absent

Cotten

Hazlewood

Absent-Excused

Mauritz

Spears

Concurrence in House Amendments to Senate Bill 212

Senator York called S. B. No. 212 from the President's table for consideration of the House amendments to the bill.

The President laid the bill and House amendments before the Senate.

Question—Shall the Senate concur in the House amendments?

Senator York moved that the Senate do concur in the House amendments.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-29

Aikin Martin Beck Metcalfe Brownlee Moffett Moore Chadick Ramsey Cotten Shivers Fain Smith Formby Stone Graves Sulak Hazlewood Van Zandt Hill Vick Isbell Weinert Kelley Winfield Lanning York Lemens Lovelady

Absent—Excused

Mauritz

Spears

House Bill 374 on Second Reading

On motion of Senator Fain and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to permit consideration of H. B. No. 374 at this time.

The President laid before the Senate third reading:

H. B. No. 374, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 57 of the Acts of the Forty-first Legislathe Acts of the Forty-first Legisla-ture of Texas, Regular Session, as amended by Chapter 200 of the Acts of the Forty-fifth Legislature of Texas, Regular Session, by amending Section 12 and 13b thereof so as to provide for the funding of scrip and warrant indebtedness of the Road and Bridge Fund of Montgomery County Bridge Fund of Montgomery County, Texas, legally incurred prior to February 1, 1941; and validating, ratifying, legalizing, and confirming an issue of Sixty-six Thousand (\$66,000) Dollars of road and bridge time warrants of said county, dated February 1, 1941, and authorizing the funding thereof into coupon bonds of said county, in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Act; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

House Bill 374 on Third Reading

Senator Fain moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 374 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—27

Aikin	Martin
Beck	Metcalfe
Brownlee	Moffett
Chadick	Ramsey
Fain	Shivers
Formby	Smith
Graves .	Stone
Hazlewood	Sulak
	Van Zandt
Hill	
Isbell	\mathbf{V} ick
Kelley	\mathbf{W} einert
Lanning	Winfield
Lemens	\mathbf{York}
Lovelady	

Absent—Excused

Cotten

Moore

Absent—Excused

Mauritz

The President then laid the bill beon its second reading and passage to fore the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

> The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—27

Aikin Martin Metcalfe Beck Moffett Brownlee Ramsey Chadick Shivers Fain Smith Formby Stone Graves Hazlewood Sulak Van Zandt Hill Isbell Vick Kelley Weinert Lanning Winfield Lemens York Lovelady

Absent

Cotten

Moore

Absent—Excused

Spears

Mauritz

Recess

Senator Kelley moved that the Senate recess until 10:00 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed, and the Senate, accordingly, at 1:10 p. m., took recess until 10:00 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

FORTY-FIRST DAY CONTINUED

(Thursday, March 27, 1941)

The Senate met at 10:00 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by President Stevenson.

Senate Resolution 74

Senator Isbell, by unanimous consent, offered at this time the following resolution:

Whereas, Mrs. Nancy Richey Ranson, recently selected Poet Laureate for the ensuing two years is now within the Capitol; therefore, be it